

# NZICC: Leading Sustainability for Aotearoa Events

NZICC is committed to sustainability, setting a new global standard for regenerative convention centres in Aotearoa New Zealand. Through our integrated ACE framework - Activate, Cultivate, Elevate - we aim to create lasting positive impact, inspire industry change, and showcase the best of our people, place, and culture.



## Activate:

# Celebrating Place and Culture

### **Māori Culture**

Every event at NZICC is offered to incorporate authentic Māori elements and traditions, reflecting our deep partnership with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei and other local iwi.

### **Local Culinary Excellence**

Over 90% of all fresh goods are sourced from New Zealand suppliers, showcasing Aotearoa's flavours and supporting community producers.

### **Community Engagement**

We connect with local artisans, host community events, and offer responsible tourism initiatives to enrich every delegate's visit.

## Cultivate:

# Environmental Action

### **Best-In-Class Certification**

NZICC pursues Qualmark, EarthCheck, LEED and AIPC certifications to validate our environmental progress, resource efficiency, and quality standards.

### **Carbon Management**

We are committed to science-based carbon reduction certified through Toitū's Carbon Reduce Programme.

### **Waste and Water**

Striving for zero single-use plastic and minimal waste to landfill, with benchmark recycling rates and water conservation targets.

## Elevate:

# Industry Leadership

### **Partnerships and Innovation**

NZICC builds alliances with universities, mana whenua, and community groups for research, staff development, and new sustainability solutions.

### **Talent and Wellbeing**

Our staff and partners receive training in cultural competence and sustainability, with a target of staff diversity that reflects New Zealand society.

### **Knowledge Sharing**

We host and participate in sustainability-focused industry events, aiming to inspire, educate, and lead by example.





# Year-One Targets and Impact

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## Year 1 Target (2026)

Māori cultural inclusion	100% of events offered Māori elements
Staff training	100% of permanent staff in cultural awareness training
Local sourcing	50% of fresh food NZ-origin; expanding annually
Community events	6 hosted annually
Certifications	LEED, Qualmark, EarthCheck, Toitū, AIPC certifications underway
Carbon and waste	Baseline measured and waste to landfill ≤ 2 kg/event attendee

## Our Enduring Impact

NZICC is more than a venue – it's a movement. Every event leaves a positive handprint, contributing to the environment, local culture, and collective wellbeing, guided by Māori wisdom and global best practices. Join us in setting a new sustainability benchmark for New Zealand and the world.